



Redistricting Commission

Record of Action | Virtual Meeting (Zoom Webinar)
Wednesday, September 8, 2021 | 5:30 p.m.

This meeting aired live on the City's Zoom Webinar platform.

Commissioners Present

Val Hoy
Fred Kosmo
Roy MacPhail
Kenneth Malbrough
Alan Nevin
Mitz Lee
Justine Nielsen
Thomas Hebrank

City Staff Present

Lora Fleming, Redistricting Commission Chief of Staff

Commissioner Roll Call

- Redistricting Commission Chair Hebrank called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and the roll was called to confirm Commission member attendance.
 - **Present:** Val Hoy, Fred Kosmo, Roy MacPhail, Kenneth Malbrough, Alan Nevin, Mitz Lee, Justine Nielsen, Thomas Hebrank;
 - **Not Present:** Monica Hernandez

Non-Agenda Public Comment

- 21 public comments were submitted prior to the meeting and were posted on the website and distributed to the Commissioners.
- Two speakers began to speak during Non-Agenda Public Comment but were directed to speak during Item 3.

Item 1 - Brief Overview of the Redistricting Process

- Commissioner MacPhail presented an overview of the redistricting process including an explanation of why the boundary lines are redrawn every 10 years, the Commission's responsibilities and parameters, the current timeline, community mapping resources, how residents can get involved, and ways to stay connected to the Commission.

- One person spoke during public comment.

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John Stump			Item 1	Concerned about use of streets as boundaries - they have historically divided communities in some areas.

Item 2- Review Rules of the Meeting:

- Chief of Staff Lora Fleming provided a presentation on some basic rules and helpful suggestions for members of the public to follow when providing public testimony. This included limiting comments to 2 minutes, directions for when the speaker is called on, instructions for calling in, and a reminder that commissioners and city staff will not be responding to questions pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

Item 3- Public Comment:

Name:	Organization:	District or Community	Non Agenda or Agenda Item	Comments Summary:
Steve Pomerence	Developer		6 Item 3	Works at Alexandria Real Estate which owns life science space in D1 and D6. Growing into Mira Mesa too. Industry deserves representation - wants to be united in D6 - UCSD, UTC, Sorrento Valley, Torrey Pines and Mira Mesa
John Stump				Four recommendations - D1 needs to lose population - recommend D2, D8 stay the same, perhaps a single coastal district, D3 should regain access to Bay - lose territory in east with D9. Natural boundaries - 805 cut City Heights.
Aidan Lin	Ceding time to do 10 min presentation, Associated Students of UCSD: Local affairs		6	"Students as Community of Interest." Presentation included a map. Advocates creating a D6 with significant AAPI population, and also including students from the northern part of UC to create a district that recognizes students associated with UCSD as a community of interest, separate from coastal areas of D1, such as La Jolla.
Charles Vu	Asian American Advocacy		6	Pres of Asian American Advocacy. Full time student at UCSD. AAPI needs to be represented better by creating a majority minority district as described in previous presentation
Nicholas Schaefer			6	UCSD student. Unify UCSD and other parts of D6 to create a significant AAPI community and student community.
Andrew Shen			6	UCSD student. Supports proposal to move areas from D1 to D6 to increase diversity. Include Convoy district.
Nathan Chen			6	AA UCSD student. Supports proposal to move UCSD from D1 to D6.
Richard Carson			1	Econ Prof UCSD. Diverse interests within UCSD itself. Center a map on UCSD and include the broad interests of UCSD.

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Christina Do			6	UCSD student. Integrate UCSD into D6. Interests in common, including AAPI discrimination and housing issues.
Darshana Patel			6	Resident of Park Village - in D6 10 years ago, against their wishes. Advocate that D6 remain an AAPI district, expanding to Kearny Mesa, Carmel Valley, etc. Perhaps 40% AAPI in a district.
Peter Vu			6	UCSD student. Promote AAPI and student representation, move UCSD from D1 to D6.
Cynthia Suero Gabler			6	VP of APAC. In favor of majority minority AAPI district. Will collectively draft a map to achieve this. Will share their map with us.
Fiza Shaghel			6	UCSD student. AAPI and student communities as Col. More connections with areas to the north and east than with La Jolla.
Debbie Espe	Neighborhood Voices of San Diego		6	Will present on behalf of "Neighborhood Voices San Diego" (501c(3)). Aim to improve AAPI representation in redistricting and achieve a majority-minority district. Include MM and Convoy in same district.
Fabian Valdes	Redistricting Insights, NVSD		6	Demographic organization. Ceding time. Displayed presentation on map of new district 6 with 41% AAPI representation.
Tania Gallardo			6	UCSD student. Unite UCSD with D6.
Jessica Vu			6	Supports UCSD being united with D6.
Ethan			6	UCSD student. Supports proposal to move areas from D1 to D6.
Valerie Ramey			1	UCSD Prof. Lives in south UC. Keep UC Planning Area together and in D1. Don't split north and south UC. Have schools in common.
Thomas Sievert			6	Supports UCSD being united with D6.
Andy Wiese			1	Resident of UC. Serves on UC Planning Group, and chairs plan update subcommittee. Supports D1 United. Keep all of UC in a single district.
Janie Emerson	La Jolla Shores		1	President of LJ Shores, supports D1 United. Work together to preserve environmentally sensitive lands as a community of interest.
Lil Nover	Sorrento Valley Town Council		6	Wants to be in one district (part D1, part D6). Also supports reunification of Clairemont.
Kevin Lee	SD Queer APIMEDA Coalition		6	Board of SD Queer APIMEDA. AAPI community in D6, Kearny Mesa, Carmel Valley, UC, Convoy District. Aim for 40% AAPI
Kathleen Dang	NAAP San Diego		6	VP of NAAP SD. AAPI nonprofit org. Wants AAPI in D6 with 40% representation.
Jeff Stevens			6	Keep MM community intact in D6. In middle of community plan update.

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Maria Charles			6	UCSD student. Supports uniting UCSD with D6.
Lauren Garces			6	AAPI community member. Supports Neighborhood Voices map.
Allison Goldhammer			6	UTC resident. Doesn't belong with La Jolla. Include in D6 with Mira Mesa.
Michael Lin			6	UCSD Student. Supports concept of AAPI and students as community of interest in D6.
Chris Molina			6	UCSD Student. Supports concept of AAPI and students as community of interest in D6.
Thea Koulouras			6	Supports UCSD being united with D6.
Apurv Gupta			6	Our Time to Act United. Supports UCSD students and put the area in D6.
Abigail Glatt			6	UCSD grad. Include UCSD in D6.
Terence Liu			6	UCSD Student. Supports concept of AAPI and students as community of interest in D6.
Ho-Hsin Wang			6	UCSD Student. Supports concept of AAPI and students as community of interest in D6. South UC is single family homes, different from denser development in north UC.
Ethan Chen	Chinese American Student Association		6	UCSD student, co president of CASA, Supports moving UCSD area to D6.
Nina Zhang			6	UCSD Student. Supports concept of AAPI and students as community of interest in D6.
Aliya Srey			6	UCSD student, Chinese American Student Assoc. Supports move to D6.
Brandon Kao			6	UCSD student, Chinese American Student Assoc. Supports move to D6.
Elvin			6	Thai American. SD Convention Center, Mayor Gloria Advisory Board. Ensure a dedicated AAPI district is drawn with at least 40%.
Joan Yan			6	UCSD student, Chinese American Student Assoc. Supports move to D6.
Julia Schriber			6	Shared screen. Include part of Sorrento Valley that is separated from the main part of the neighborhood. Unite it with D6. It's all businesses, no people.
Leana Cortez	UCSD Office of Local Affairs		6	AS Office of Local Affairs. Supports move of UCSD to D6.
Kiah			6	Resident of D6 (Clairemont Mesa). Do not break the neighborhood up.
Bradley Liu			6	UCSD Student. More in common with other parts of D6 - move from D1.
Philip Belzeski			6	UCSD student, voting member on UC Community Planning Group. Supports unifying with D6.
0158 caller			6	Resident of UTC. Draw AAPI district, separate from D1.
Melanie Cohn	Biocom California		6	Biocom California. Statewide Association for Life Sciences. Growing into Sorrento Valley and MM - supports being in D6.

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Tony Phillips			6	Lives in Clairemont. Reunite Clairemont, connect to south UC and Linda Vista. Doesn't want to be part of coastal districts.
Ping Wang			6	Convoy District Partnership. Supports cultural components of an AAPI D6. Housing is an issue, too. Kearny Mesa completed its Plan Update, including a new housing component. Will likely be occupied by University community.
Jean-huy			6	Works with Vietnamese community. Lack of representation. Supports idea of majority minority D6 (40%).
Kevin Ing			6	UCSD student, Chinese American Student Assoc. Supports move to D6.
Judy Ki			6	CA Commission on AAPI Affairs. Elevate AAPI communities, Gloria Advisory Group. Supports Aiden Lin map and Fabian Valdez. Create D6 empowerment district.
Mandy			6	Supports UCSD being united with D6, AAPI community. Consider adding Linda Vista to D6 as well with their large AAPI population. Don't combine D1 and D2.
Ron Cho			6	Impressed by UCSD student contribution. Member of AAPI Advisory Board. Supports Neighborhood Voices proposal. Could also keep RPQ and Clairemont communities.
Manu Agni			6	UCSD student, student body president. North UC is very different from south UC. Supports a split to create an AAPI and student D6.
7769 Caller			6	Lives in Clairemont. Wants more attention by uniting with an Asian empowerment district.
Emily Xia			6	UCSD student. Supports proposal to move areas from D1 to D6 to increase diversity. Include Convoy district. D6 could increase to 40%+ AAPI population.
Sandra Stahl	Executive Director, Montgomery Gibbs Environmental Coalition		6	Works with communities that are impacted by the Montgomery Gibbs Executive Airport. Do not put Kearny Mesa in a district that is separate from the Clairemont and Serra Mesa communities. Convoy District is only a small slice of Kearny Mesa. That shouldn't be a reason to separate Kearny Mesa from Clairemont and Serra Mesa.
Alexis Goldschmidt			6	UCSD student. Unify UCSD and other parts of D6 to create a significant AAPI community and student community.
Jeff Heden			1	He and his wife are 23 year residents of Del Mar Highlands. Represented by CM Com Plan Board. Opposed to separating Carmel Valley or UCSD from D1. Supports D1 United.

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Johanna Hester	AAPA Labor Alliance		6	AAPA Labor Alliance. Supports Empowerment District.
Debbie Lokanc			1	Carmel Valley, supports D1 United.
Helen Boyden			1	Lives near UC campus. On La Jolla Planning Board. Supports D1 United. Newer area - North City West. UCSD has increased the diversity of the area. Very connected with UCSD.
Diane Kane	La Jolla Community Planning Association		1	Pres LJ Community Planning Assoc. Supports two coastal districts. Invites students to engage with LJ planning institutions. Supports D1 United.
Jeremy Stark			6	AAPI Grad Student at UCSD. Lives on UCSD campus. Supports move to D6.
Sherry Lightner			1	Lives in LJ Shores. D1 rep, supports D1 United. UCSD is integrated with UC and La Jolla. Important for unified planning.
Deborah Knight			1	UC resident - deeply integrated with UCSD. Same schools. Importance of environmental resources.
5023 Caller			6	Clairemont resident, AAPI member. Draw an AAPI empowerment district.

Item 4- Adjournment

- Chair Hebrank adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m. until the next special district meeting scheduled at 5:30 p.m. on September 14, 2021.